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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Albert Chin et al.

Serial No.: 09/898,710

Examiner: G. Shipsides

Filing Date: July 3, 2001

Group Art Unit: 1732

For: MEDICAL DEVICE WITH EXTRUDED MEMBER HAVING HELICAL ORIENTATION

Docket No.: 1001.1468101

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By Kathleen L. Boekley
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Dear Sir:

This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR §1.114 of the above-identified application.

SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 CFR §1.114

Applicants hereby submit and request consideration of the Amendment filed herewith. This paper is being filed within the three-month statutory period for response to the Final Office Action mailed May 30, 2003. Accordingly, no extension of time is necessary.

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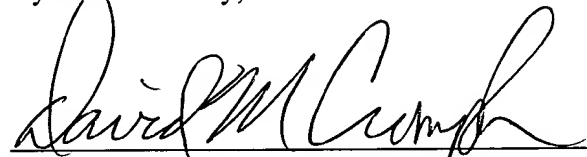
The RCE fee (37 CFR §1.17(e)) in the amount of \$750.00 is attached. Please charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0413.

Respectfully submitted,

Albert Chin et al.

By their Attorney,

Date: 8/28/03



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- [XX] Amendment
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[] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 has been established.

[XX] Other: REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL AND COPY OF CITED TEXT OF *PHYSICS OF PLASTICS*.

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Dear Sir:

A Request for Continued Examination is filed concurrently with this Response and Amendment which is in response to the Advisory Action mailed August 12, 2003, with a shortened statutory period set to expire on August 30, 2003. This paper is filed within the shortened statutory period for response and, as such, no extension of time is necessary.

Please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks: